

Staff Report

Agenda Item: East Harriet Farmstead Plan Modification Approval

Title: Report on NRP Fund Balance Guidelines

Action Discussion Informational

Date: January 19, 2016

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Attachments: East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Plan Modification Form and Spreadsheet

Requested Action

Approve Plan Modification of East Harriet Farmstead NRP Phase I #22 Neighborhood Action Plan and East Harriet Farmstead NRP Phase II #11 Neighborhood Action Plan and recommend the Plan for Approval by the Minneapolis City Council

Background

The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association (EHFNA) is requesting approval of Plan Modification #22 to the East Harriet Farmstead Phase I NRP Plan, and Plan Modification #11 to the East Harriet Farmstead Phase II Plan

The proposed modification allows East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association to provide additional opportunities for the residents of East Harriet to expand and further support senior programs and activities as part of the larger community building efforts with the creation of a new goal #3 and strategy (language change)

IV COMMUNITY BUILDING (East Harriet)

VISION - The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association will be a vital source of neighborhood information contributing to a neighborhood where residents and businesses actively engage in events and programs.

Goal 3: Partner with VOA Southwest Senior Center, Walker Methodist and Lyndale Farmstead Park to support seniors in East Harriet.

(4.3.1) East Harriet will provide financial support to the Southwest Senior Center for specific programming. Program support may include: activities at Lyndale Farmstead Park, Walker Methodist and intergenerational activities bringing youth and seniors together.

The modification would also include the reallocation of Phase II Housing program income in the amount of \$8,000 to support this new strategy

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Recommendation

I have reviewed the proposed Action Plan modifications, and have found that:

The request is the result of a thorough review by the EHFNA Board of the East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Action Plans, and responds to the continuing and re-evaluated priorities of the neighborhood;

The modification creates a new priority or strategy within the total existing plan allocation (<u>regardless of the \$ amount</u>) (unless rolled forward from an existing priority or strategy from the previous Phase or Cycle);

The modification reallocates \$25,000 or less of the total NRP plan allocation between existing plan strategies.

The modification does not change the amount of NRP dollars committed to the neighborhood for its Neighborhood Action Plan;

The EHFNA Board has followed the process required by the NRP Policy on "Changing Approved Neighborhood Plans"; and;

The plan modification was approved by the EHFNA Board on July 1, 2015 and neighborhood at the September 26th, 2015 Annual meeting;

The modification is an appropriate and reasonable use of the funds;

Given these findings, we recommend the following resolution to the NRP Policy Board for action at its January 19, 2016 meeting:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board hereby recommends that the City Council (a) accepts and adopts Plan Modification #22 to the East Harriet Farmstead Phase I Neighborhood Action Plan and Modification #11 to the East Harriet Farmstead Phase II Neighborhood Action Plan (b) direct appropriate City staff work with the neighborhood organization and other jurisdictions to implement the plan as necessary

RESOLVED FURTHER: That the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policy Board hereby recommend that the City Council [a] approve the Plan Modification and [b] direct appropriate City staff work with neighborhood organizations and other jurisdictions to implement the Plan Modification as necessary.